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| <p style="text-align: center;">ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>DIRECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PLANT SERVICES DIVISION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SCALE INSECT PESTS</p> | <p><u>DIVISION/PROGRAM:</u> <u>PSD</u></p> <p><u>DAO 05-03</u></p> <p><u>/s/ Donald Butler</u> <u>SIGNATURE</u></p> <p><u>3/24/05</u> <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u></p> |
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1. PURPOSE

This Order is issued to mitigate an immediate risk of infestation of scale insect pests in Arizona by increasing protection against the entry of the listed scale pests on nursery stock entering the state. Currently, under the Arizona Administrative Code, the Scale Insect Pest rule, R3-4-226 contains procedural requirements that the state of California is unable to meet. This order revises the procedures set forth in the rule in order to ensure California can abide by the requirements.

As a major source of nursery stock with the target scale pests, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), along with representatives from Arizona's nursery and citrus industries have reviewed and accepted proposed changes reflected in this order. In conjunction with this order, the Department has opened a rulemaking docket to institute rule changes that will ensure California's ability to adhere to these requirements.

2. AUTHORITY

A. R. S. § 3-201.01 Associate director; powers and duties

3. RESPONSIBILITY

The Associate Director, managers and supervisors shall ensure that all employees of the Plant Services Division understand and comply with this Order.

4. APPLICABILITY

This Order applies to all shipments of regulated commodities from the area under quarantine.

5. ORDER

- A. Definitions. "Pest" means all life stages of the following:
- Aonidiella aurantii*, California red scale
- Aonidiella citrine*, yellow scale
- Chrysomphalus aonidum*, Florida red scale
- Pulvinaria psidi*, green shield scale
- B. Area under quarantine. The entire states of Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- C. Regulated commodities. Plants and all plant parts, except seed, of the genera listed below:
- Camellia*
- Chrysalidocarpus*
- Citrus*
- Cycas*
- Dracaena*
- Eremocitrus*
- Euonymus*
- Ficus*
- Fortunella*
- Ilex*
- Ligustrum*
- Microcitrus*
- Poncirus*, and
- Rosa*
- D. Restrictions. A person may ship a regulated commodity to Arizona from an area under quarantine if each shipment is accompanied by an original certificate issued by a plant regulatory official of the state of origin attesting that within 5 days before shipment:
1. The regulated commodity of the genera *Citrus*, *Eremocitrus*, *Fortunella*, *Microcitrus*, and *Poncirus* was treated with a chemical approved by the

Director to kill the pests listed in section (A), and was visually inspected and found free of all live life stages of the pests listed in section (A).

2. The regulated commodity not listed in section (D)(1):

- a. Was treated with a chemical approved by the Director to kill the pests listed in section (A), and was visually inspected and found free of all live life stages of the pests listed in section (A), or
- b. Originated from a nursery with a pest management program recognized and monitored by the origin state and approved by the Director to control the pests listed in Section (A), and was visually inspected and found to be free of all live life stages of the pests listed in section (A).

E. Disposition of regulated commodity not in compliance. A regulated commodity shipped into Arizona in violation of this Director's Administrative Order shall be destroyed, treated, or transported out of state as prescribed at A.R.S. Title 3, Chapter 2, Article 1.